* SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" Sir, I am glad the Hon. Minister has furnished these figures. I will go through the figures and continue my speech in the afternoon. It is now 1 o'clock. So we may adjourn now."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" All right. The House will now rise for lunch and meet again at 2-30 p.m."

The House then rose for lunch.

(After lunch—2-30 p.m.)

III.—ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE HON. CHAIRMAN.

ACT ASSENTED TO BY THE GOVERNOR.

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" I have to announce to the House that the Madras General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1955 (L.A. Bill No. 4 of 1955), which was passed by the Madras Legislature on the 18th March 1955, received the assent of the Governor on the 31st March 1955 and has been published as Act No. VIII of 1955, in Part IV-B of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 6th April 1955."

II.—GOVERNMENT BILLS—*cont.*

(4) THE MADRAS COURT-FEES AND SUITS VALUATION BILL, 1954 (L.A. BILL NO. 25 OF 1954)—*cont.*

* SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" Mr. Chairman, Sir, I was dealing with the question of expenditure on this administration of justice as disclosed in the budget. But I am countered by the Hon. Minister by pointing out that ' the Budget does not really represent the expenses incurred on account of the administration of justice. There are certain other items that will have to be taken into account.' I was given three sheets of papers from which I have gathered this information. Receipts by way of court-fees and others come to about Rs. 1,41,61,000. What is said as expended on administration of justice comes to Rs. 1,89,78,000 and odd. Therefore it has been pointed out that there is a deficit of about Rs. 48 lakhs or Rs. 47 lakhs. This Rs. 1,89,00,000 and odd included 10 per cent spent on general administrative charges, and taken as share of ' Administration of Justice '. This is nearly Rs. 20 lakhs. I submit that sort of item is wholly inadmissible for the purpose of calculating the amount spent for administration of justice. For one thing the general administration charges have been paid for by persons who resort to courts and if the Government debit it again to administration of justice, it would amount to debiting them twice over. We have paid the money for the purpose of general administration and got the benefit out of it. But again to take away 10 per cent of that and debiting it to administration of justice, I cannot understand as the proper sort of calculating the expenditure under administration of justice. Then, Rs. 20,00,000 have been debited to administration of justice on a 10 per cent basis. I take it that